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SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA INSPECTION OF ITALIAN MOTOR VEHICLE
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1. UNDER FEDERAL CLEAN AIR ACT STATE OF CALIFORNIA HAS
INSTITUTED MORE STRINGENT EMISSION CONTROL STANDARDS THAN
OTHER STATES BECAUSE OF UNIQUE SEVERITY OF ITS AIR POLLU-
TION PROBLEM. CALIFORNIA HAS LEGAL RIGHT TO SET AND
ENFORCE COMPLIANCE WITH THESE MORE RIGID STANDARDS, WHICH
APPLY EQUALLY TO DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN VEHICLES. NO U.S.

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OBLIGATION UNDER GATT IS VIOLATED. MORE STRINGENT CALI-

FORNIA STANDARDS SET UNDER SPECIAL EXEMPTION GRANTED TO CALIFORNIA BY CONGRESS. OTHER STATES NOT AT PRESENT FREE TO IMPOSE STANDARDS MORE RESTRICTIVE THAN FEDERAL STANDARDS.

2. STATE AND EPA WOULD PREFER WORK OUT ARRANGEMENT WITH CALIFORNIA AUTHORITIES UNDER WHICH DUPLICATION OF EPA AND CALIFORNIA INSPECTION WOULD BE AVOIDED. TO THIS END, DEPARTMENT WILL CONTACT CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD IN EFFORT TO COORDINATE ARB ACTIVITIES WITH THOSE OF EPA. WE UNDERSTAND FROM CALIFORNIA AUTHORITIES THAT DUE TO DIFFER-

ENCES IN STANDARDS AND TIMETABLES IT WILL BE DIFFICULT TO AVOID OVERLAP DURING 1974.

3. EMBASSY MAY USE FOREGOING IN DISCUSSION WITH MFA AND MAY INDICATE DEPARTMENT WILL MAKE BEST EFFORT TO COORDINATE EPA AND ARB INSPECTION. EMBASSY SHOULD BEAR IN MIND THAT NEITHER DEPARTMENT OR EPA HAVE AUTHORITY TO REQUIRE COORDINATION, AND ALSO THAT CALIFORNIA IS INSPECTING IN OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, THUS FAR WITHOUT INCIDENT. AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE SHOULD BE DEVELOPED ON ARB APPROACH TO FIAT AND GOI REACTIONS. RUSH

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